

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the current Abstract and substitute the following therefor:

-- A communication apparatus includes a plurality of network connection units connected to a network. The communication apparatus (a) notifies to an external device a plurality of IP addresses assigned to the plurality of network connection units respectively, (b) selects from the plurality of IP addresses an IP address selected by the external device, and (c) releases the plurality of IP addresses except the selected IP address, so that the communication apparatus provides a service to the external device via the network using the selected IP address.--